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PATENT

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re Application of:)
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EYTCHISON)
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Application Number: 09/476,419)
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Filing Date: December 30, 1999)
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For: A RESOURCE MANAGER FOR)
PROVIDING USER-DEPENDENT)
ACCESS CONTROL FOR A)
NETWORK OF CONSUMER)
ELECTRONIC DEVICES)

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on September 15, 2003, the
Applicant respectfully requests further examination and reconsideration of the
above captioned patent application in view of the arguments set forth below.

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In re Application of: Edward B. Eytchison

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For: A RESOURCE MANAGER FOR PROVIDING USER-DEPENDENT ACCESS CONTROL FOR A NETWORK OF CONSUMER ELECTRONIC DEVICES

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application

☒ Transmitted herewith is a response to an office action for the above identified patent application.

(28 sheets)

Transmitted herewith are sheets of substitute formal drawings.

Other:

2. Applicant is other than a small entity

Extension of Term

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.

(a) [] Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136
(fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)

<u>Extension</u>	<u>Fee</u>
[] one month	\$110.00
[] two months	\$420.00
[] three months	\$950.00
[] four months	\$1,480.00

Fee \$

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(b) [X] Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

Fee Calculation

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

(for other than a small entity)					
Fee Items	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number of Claims Previously Paid For	Present Extra Claims	Fee Rate	Total
Total Claims	42	- 40 =		x \$18.00	36.00
Independent Claims	4	- 4 =		x \$86.00	0.00
Multiple Dependent Claim Fee (one or more, first added by this amendment)				\$290.00	
Total Fees					36.00

PAYMENT OF FEES

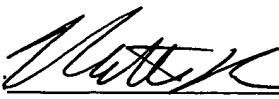
5. The full fee due in connection with this communication is provided as follows:
- [x] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No.: 23-0085.
A duplicate copy of this authorization is enclosed.
- [x] A check in the amount of \$36.00
- [] Charge any fees required or credit any overpayments associated with this filing to Deposit Account No.: 23-0085.

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Respectfully submitted,

Date: 15 Dec. 2003

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